

## MAIL STRIKERS CALL WITNESS 'SQUEALER' IN FEDERAL COURT

Among Chauffeurs Were Government Agents Learning Their Secrets.

ADVOCATED GUNMEN.

Witness Swears Leader Told Men to "Get Strikebreakers Off Wagons."

That certain employees of the Postal Transfer Service Company, transporting mails in New York City, pretended to be strikers during the October mail chauffeurs' strike in order to learn the secret designs of the union men, was brought out today in the United States District Court before Judge John Killeen in the trial of fifteen striking chauffeurs who are being charged with impeding and retarding the passage of the United States mails.

James Clinch, who pretended to be a striker, was a Government witness. He declared he heard Hockberg, one of the defendants, order the strikers to "get strikebreakers off the wagons." The strikers were told to use their own judgment and to avoid arrest.

He told briefly of having heard Eustathius, one of the defendants, advocate hiring gunmen to aid the union and beat up the strikebreakers. No action was taken by the strikers on this suggestion.

The fifteen defendants, many of them still clad in their work clothes, were brought into court and several of them looked over Clinch's face when one leaned forward and shrilly whispered: "Squealer!" and he moved uneasily each time he glanced toward the band of ex-strikers thereafter.

Many members of the mail chauffeurs' union were in court and several of them declared their belief that Clinch was in reality a detective and that a number of other detectives had been among their members when the strike was declared.

"Why did you go to the District Attorney's office and make the witness?" asked Clinch.

"Because I thought it was my duty to do so," he answered.

"STOOL PIGEONS" FEARED DURING STRIKE.

"Stool pigeons" were feared throughout the strike, according to Levine, and the strikers suspected many of their members of secretly carrying information to the transfer company officials.

"They suspected me," Levine told Col. Trice, counsel for the defendants, "but they were afraid to accuse me to my face."

"Did they mean anything by the name?"

"If we catch him," Levine said, "we will make sure he is not a stool pigeon." Several of the defendants laughed outright at the explanation.

Hockberg and Kennedy, leaders of the strikers, told the union men that gunmen had been employed at a cost of \$500 or \$600, Levine continued, and that the treasury fund was wiped out.

"The gunmen can do better work than we can because they can work from automobiles," he said.

"Stool-pigeons" were freely used by the strikers at all times, and at Fifteenth street and Avenue A, one afternoon, a strikebreaker was put to flight by mimics from the "shooters," Levine explained, and a supply of the small weapons were kept on hand at union headquarters.

TOLD TO KNOCK LOYAL MEN OFF TRUCKS.

The first confessions "stool-pigeon" for the Government took the witness stand late in the afternoon. James F. Fitzpatrick, who said he gave information concerning the strikers to a messenger, who carried it to officials of the postal company, gave the most damaging evidence of the day against the strikers.

"If they won't get off, knock 'em off," he said Hockberg told the union men in referring to the strike-breaking mail chauffeurs, and he also declared that Hockberg repeatedly made threats against Supp. Cassidy.

"We don't want anybody shot if we can help it," he said.

On election night, he said, the strikers were told to take a horn in one hand and a stone in the other.

"Use your own judgment as to whether you should blow your horn or throw the stone," they were told.

He corroborated Levine's evidence about Hockberg's statement that gunmen had been employed for \$500 or \$600.

## THREE CENT FARE AT FORT LEE FERRY

Bergen County Board of Freeholders Likely to Order a Reduction.

At a meeting in the Palisades Public School last night of the Eastern Bergen County Protective Association it was announced by Freeholder Walter Bender of Cliffside that at the next meeting of the Board of Freeholders a resolution would be introduced ordering a reduction of the fare at the Fort Lee ferry to three cents. Mr. Bender predicted that the resolution would be passed by a unanimous vote.

The people of the eastern section of Bergen have long been fighting for a three-cent ferry fare. The passing of the order by the Freeholders will be the first step toward final victory. It is expected that the Public Service Corporation will fight the reduction of fares in the courts, but the Eastern Bergen Association, through the Mayors of fourteen municipalities will urge the Freeholders to instruct their attorney to carry on the legal fight for enforcement of the order.

At the meeting last night Major McClave of Cliffside made an enthusiastic speech in favor of carrying across the Hudson.

## CITY WILL OPPOSE SPECIAL PENSIONS FOR EMPLOYEES

Board Asks Legislature to Disregard Measures Urged Until Mayor's Commission Reports.

The Board of Estimate made it known today that it will fight any attempt by city employees to push special pension bills at this session of the legislature and that the Governor, Senate and Assembly will be asked to refuse to accept any measure of this character until the report of the New York City Pension Commission appointed by Mayor Gaynor has been submitted.

The Board adopted unanimously the following resolution:

"That the Board of Estimate and Apportionment put itself on record against any legislation regarding pensions for or the retirement of employees in the city's service until after the Mayor's Commission on Pensions has made its final report."

Speaking of attempts being made in various departments of the city to procure special pension legislation, Comptroller Frederick said:

"While this committee has been trying to devise one uniform pension law out of the chaos of conflicting pension laws we now have, the advocates of special bodies of city employees have been busy in the preparation of other proposed legislation which would only add to our present pension complications."

"What we need is not to increase the number of pension acts now on the statute books, but to reduce them, or rather to combine them into one. The present administration is pledged to a reform of our present pension system, and there is no doubt but that it is ready and anxious to carry out its pledge."

Firemen and police are not concerned in today's action.

Kept Drug in Piccolo.

Being of a musical turn of mind, Richard V. Yulu, a cocaine seller, kept the drug in a piccolo—or what appeared to be one—which hung behind the bar in his saloon at No. 25 West End avenue. Yulu was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary today in the Court of Special Sessions, where the story of the piccolo that wasn't one came out.

## BOWDOIN WILL GIVE BULK OF THE ESTATE TO THE WIFE AND SON

Famous Wine Cellar of Morgan Partner for Family and Guests Only.

The will of George Sullivan Bowdoin, former partner of J. P. Morgan & Co., who died at his residence, No. 29 Park avenue, on Dec. 14, was filed for probate today. It disposes of an estate valued at several millions. The testator's wife, Julia Grinnell Bowdoin, and his son, Temple Bowdoin, receive the bulk of the estate.

Temple Bowdoin will receive the historic silver wine cooler which George Washington presented to Alexander Hamilton, the grandfather of the deceased. In disposing of his town house and all its contents to his widow, Mr. Bowdoin carefully excepted the contents of his wine cellar, which is said to be among the most famous in America. None of the wine, some of which is more than a century old, is to be sold, and none may share its tastes outside the family and guests.

The will names as executors Mrs. Bowdoin, the son Temple and my former partners, J. P. Morgan and J. P. Morgan Jr., and my friend Francis Lynde Stetson, and requests that all the interest of the decedent in the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. be "released" after Bowdoin's death.

The will makes these bequests:

"Our residence at No. 29 Park avenue and all the paintings (other than family portraits) together with household stores, except such wines as I have there, which I dispose of otherwise to Mrs. Julia Grinnell Bowdoin, my wife."

"I bequeath all policies of insurance upon my life to my wife and in addition the sum of \$200,000."

"To my wife and daughter, Edith, joint tenants and not as tenants in common, all lands I may own in Bar Harbor, Maine."

Then, as "tokens of remembrance," the will gives to the cousins of the testator, children of his uncle, James Bowdoin, the sum of \$50,000 each. These beneficiaries are James B. Bowdoin, No. 45 Riverside Drive; Lillian Bowdoin of Marie Court House, Bishopgate, London, and Harri Bowdoin of Bishopgate, London.

One-third of the residuary estate goes to Temple Bowdoin outright. The remaining two-thirds is placed in the hands of Temple Bowdoin, J. P. Morgan Jr. (the elder Morgan was also a trustee), and Francis Lynde Stetson as trustees, to be divided into four equal shares. These four shares are to be allotted and set apart for the benefit of the widow, the son, the daughter Edith and a grandson, Irving Bowdoin Kingsford.

The Bowdoin country home at New Hamburg with its twenty-eight acres is given to Temple Bowdoin and also the half interest of the decedent in the Chester County, which was formerly the property of the elder Bowdoin's grandfather. The daughter gets all the land and premises at No. 27 Park avenue.

## MRS. ROCHESTER HURT AS CAR HITS HER AUTO

She Had Just Dropped Her Husband at His Office and Was Going Shopping.

Mrs. Minnie Rochester, wife of Richmond Rochester, President of the New York Cordage Company, drove with her husband to his office, No. 25 Wall street, this morning, and then ordered her chauffeur to drive her up Broadway to the shopping district. The car had reached Spring street when a surface car came hurtling along behind it, and when the auto stopped for traffic at the crossing crashed into it.

Crowds came running while Mrs. Rochester was struggling to get out. Blood flowed from a deep gash on her forehead where a splinter of glass had struck her and she held her right wrist, which seemed to be broken.

Men opened the door of the limousine and assisted Mrs. Rochester to alight. An ambulance was summoned, while some one notified Mr. Rochester. The husband hurried to St. Vincent's Hospital, where Mrs. Rochester was taken, and as soon as her wounds had been dressed he summoned a taxicab and took her home to their place at White-stone, L. I.

The automobile was so badly damaged that it had to be left drawn up against the curbstone for a weekling truck to take away.

EMERGENCY TEAM UP.

(From the Tribune Staff.)

Mrs. Bacon—I understand that supporter of women's skirts on the line of masculine devices are a novelty.

Mr. Bacon—Won't be long before we'll hear hubby say: "Here, wife, you can use this gait today!"

## LACK OF FRESH AIR

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## Black Dress Goods Department

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These materials are especially desirable for House Gowns, Kimonos, Children's Dresses, etc.

## The Reduction Sale of Misses' & Juniors' Dancing Frocks, Afternoon Dresses and Coats

is being continued. A special feature for to-morrow (Saturday), will consist of a limited number of

Misses' Tailor-made Suits at the unusually low price of . . . \$11.50

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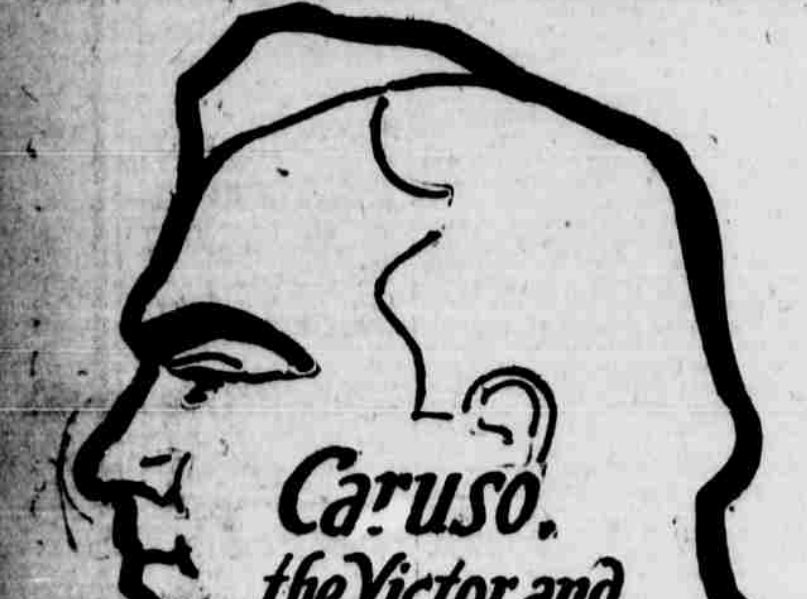
of superior materials, styles and workmanship, actually valued at \$30.00, will be offered in the Men's Furnishing Department to-morrow at . . . \$17.50 This selection comprises Men's Imported Gabardine Raincoats, in gray and several shades of tan, with yoke and sleeves lined with silk; and Men's Imported Raincoats of fine gray cassimere, with collar and cuffs of black velvet.

Also, in addition to the above, Men's Winter Overcoats at special prices.

Men's Fur-lined Overcoats, suitable for motoring or street wear, regularly \$85.00, at . . . \$48.00 Men's Overcoats of desirable woolen materials, with yoke and sleeve linings of satin; regularly \$30.00 to 40.00 . . . at \$21.00 Important price reductions have also been effected in Men's Fur and Fur-lined Overcoats, Fur Caps and Foot Muffs.

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